



Attorney's Docket No. 35576/233803

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application No.: Kokubo et al. Confirmation No.: 8005
09/842,466 Group No.: 1615
Filed: April 25, 2001 Examiner: H. Sheikh
For: SOLID PREPARATION COATED WITH A FILM
COATING LAYER AND FILM COATING AGENT

January 20, 2004

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of three (3) months to respond to the Office Action dated July 21, 2003.
2. Applicant is a small entity; other than a small entity.
3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):

Total Months <u>Requested</u>	Fee For Other Than Small Entity	Fee for Small Entity
one month	\$110.00	\$55.00
two months	\$420.00	\$210.00
three months	\$950.00	\$475.00
four months	\$1,480.00	\$740.00
five months*	\$2,010.00	\$1,005.00

*Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory limit for response to an Official Action.

- A check in the amount of \$950.00 is enclosed.
 Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for the extension fee.
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